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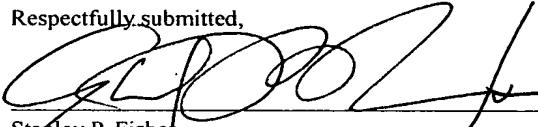
- 16 sheets of formal informal drawings.
- Transmittal of certified copy of Japanese patent application 2001-385018 to claim priority date of December 18, 2001.
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- An Assignment of the invention to Hitachi, Ltd.

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